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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
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For: **Fluid-Assisted Medical Devices, Systems and Methods**
Inventors: MCCLURKEN *et al.*
Our Ref: 2999.004000B

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Online Credit Card Payment Authorization in the amount of \$960.00 to cover:
\$555.00 Extension of Time and \$405.00 for request for Continued Examination;
2. Request for Continued Examination;
3. Amendment and Reply Under 37 CFR §1.114;
4. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR § 1.136(a); and
5. Assertion of Small Entity Status.

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Respectfully submitted,

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